

KVK Reasi organises Field Day on Oilseed Crop

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REASI: Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), Reasi under the aegis of Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology of Jammu (SKUAST-J) organized field day on oilseed crop (Gobhi Sarson) here today at Dasano village in Reasi district of J&K which was enthusiastically attended by a number of farmers of the area. The programme was conducted under Cluster Front Line Demonstrations (CFLDs) on oilseeds, Rabi 2023-24. The major objective of the programme was to showcase the success of Gobhi Sarson cultivation in the area so as to popularize the latest technologies in oilseed crop. KVK, Reasi has laid Cluster Front Line Demonstrations (CFLDs) on Gobhi Sarson of variety RSPN-25 in the area. The programme was organised under the dynamic leadership of Hon'ble Vice



KVK scientist along with farmers during field visit.

Chancellor, Prof. B.N.Tripathi and able guidance of Director Extension, Prof.Amrish Vaid of SKUAST-J. The programme was initiated by Dr. Banarsi Lal, Sr. Scientist & Head of KVK, Reasi with the warm welcome of the farmers. In the keynote address, he briefed the significance of field day and said that Gobhi Sarson is one of the leading oilseed crops in the region. He outlined all the technological interventions like the selection of improved variety, maintaining proper seed rate, Integrated Nutrient Management (INM), Integrated Pest Management etc. in Gobhi Sarson crop to increase the production. He guided farmers on the scientific farming of oilseed crops and urged them to adopt the latest technologies of Gobhi Sarson so that they can enhance their crops production. He also discussed on the organic techniques for oilseed crops production so

as to produce safe and healthy crop products. During the interaction session farmers gave their feedback on Gobhi Sarson variety RSPN-25 demonstrated by KVK, Reasi and expressed satisfaction of the technologies. Following the programme the KVK officials and farmers visited the demonstrated fields and they expressed the happiness over the performance of the technologies laid by KVK at farmers fields. The field visit further enriched the learning experience of attendees. During the programme awardee woman farmer, Smt.Sunita Devi was also present who shared her experiences of innovative farming with the other farmers of the area. Farmers thanked KVK, Reasi for promotion of oilseeds crops in their area. The programme was assisted by Manohar Lal and concluded by Smt.Sunita Devi with formal vote of thanks.

DC Kishtwar reviews arrangements for Ramnavmi festival

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KISHTWAR: Deputy Commissioner Kishtwar, Dr. Devansh Yadav reviewed the arrangements for Ramnavmi festival while chairing a meeting of officers from Line Departments.



Deputy Commissioner Kishtwar, Dr. Devansh Yadav chairing a meeting.

The meeting was attended by SSP, Abdul Qayoom; ADDC, Ghulam Rasool; ADC, Pawan Kotwal; ACR, Idrees Ahmed Lone; AD Food Shafqat Keen; CMO, ARTO, Tehsildar, XEN Jal Shakti, senior officers, representatives of PDD, MC, Traffic and other line departments besides representatives of Santan Dharma Sabha Kishtwar. During the meeting, representatives of Sanatan Dharm Sabha put forth valuable suggestions on various issues like sanitation, uninterrupted electricity and water supply, traffic management, and adequate stocks of ration. The DC emphasized the importance of maintaining cleanliness and hygiene, besides ensuring proper lime lining at festive venues, in and around the temples. He directed the concerned departments to promote sanitation. He also emphasized the need for concerned officials to visit the temples to assess the overall scenario.

DC also stressed on following all necessary guidelines, as the Model Code of Conduct is in force. He asked the police authorities to provide adequate security arrangements at temples. The chair further called for interdepartmental coordination to put in place all necessary arrangements well in time for the smooth celebration of the festival. He asked the PHE and PDD Departments to take all measures to provide uninterrupted water and power supply. PDD was asked to ensure proper lighting arrangements in addition to uninterrupted power supply. Tehsildar Kishtwar was asked to keep a check on the rates and quality of food items being sold during the festival through market checking. The Health Department was directed to keep sufficient provision for Medicare facilities and medical staff. Other arrangements for ensuring fool proof traffic management during festive processions, stage settings, along with other necessary safety arrangements were also discussed and necessary directions were given to the concerned.

Series of voter awareness events under SVEEP held across Ramban

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RAMBAN: In a spirited effort to boost voter participation in upcoming Lok Sabha Elections 2024, a lively Nukkad Natak was presented at Bus Stand and Main Market of Ramban here today. Led by District Election Officer (DEO), Baseer-Ul-Haq Chaudhary, the District Administration organized a series of vibrant voters awareness programmes at prominent locations in the district under Systematic Voters' Education and Electoral Participation (SVEEP) campaign. The Sangam Theatre Reasi presented a theme-based Nukkad Natak on SVEEP, engaging a large number of youth and citizens in the Electoral Awareness program. Supervised by District

Nodal Officer, SVEEP (ACP), Ashfaq Khanji, the initiative aimed to enhance understanding of voting-related processes and promote electoral literacy, particularly among first-time voters, preparing them for the upcoming Lok Sabha Elections 2024. Artists and speakers emphasized the initiative's commitment to inspiring young voters and strengthening the democratic setup to empower citizens. They urged people, especially youth, to propagate the message of electoral participation to their families, relatives, and communities, emphasizing the significance of their role in nation-building through elections. They reiterated that a well-informed electorate is fundamental to ensuring a vibrant and representative democracy.

Election Observers for Jammu PC visit Kalakote-Sunderbani AC

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RAJOURI: In a proactive move towards ensuring smooth conduct of the Lok Sabha Elections 2024, General Observer, Rahul Ranjan Mahiwal and Police Observer Bopal Gajarao for Jammu Parliamentary Constituency today visited Kalakote-Sunderbani AC and reviewed preparedness for the polling at meeting of official stakeholders.



General Observer, Rahul Ranjan Mahiwal and Police Observer Bopal Gajarao during visit to Rajouri on Tuesday.

The meeting was attended by Assistant Returning Officers (AROs), Flying Squad teams, Video Surveillance teams, Video Viewing team and Accounting team. The Observers meticulously reviewed the preparedness measures undertaken for Lok Sabha elections. During the deliberations, the Observers briefed the concerned stakeholders about their role and respon-

sibilities, emphasizing the crucial nature of their duties. They stressed on maintaining transparency and fairness of the electoral process. Recognizing the pivotal role played by each team in safeguarding the democratic ethos, they underscored the significance of performing their duties with unwavering dedication and diligence. They also inspected the

polling stations and took stock of the assured minimum facilities at the polling stations. In line with the Election Commission's mandate, the visit of the Observers and subsequent directives serve as a testament to the unwavering commitment of the Commission to conduct elections with utmost integrity and professionalism. Such proactive measures under-

score the resolve of the Election Commission to uphold the democratic fabric of the nation. Among the others who accompanied the Observers during their visit were the District Election Officer, Om Prakash Bhagat; SSP, Amrit Pal Singh; ADC Sunderbani, Rajev Magotra; ADC Kalakote, Mohd Tanveer; Adtl SP Nowshera and other concerned officers.

3rd Randomization of polling staff held in Ramban

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RAMBAN: District Election Officer Ramban, Baseer Ul-Haq Chaudhary presided over the third randomization process of polling staff designated for deployment across 348 polling stations for the upcoming Lok Sabha Elections-2024.

The randomization adhered meticulously to the guidelines stipulated by Election Commission of India (ECI), ensuring fairness and impartiality in the selection of polling staff. ARO, AC-54 Ramban, S. Harpal Singh; Dy.DEO, Abdul Jabar; DIO DIPR, Ramban, Ashraf Wani and DIO NIC, Parshant were also present during the randomization process. While giving the insight of ongoing election process, the DEO Ramban, said all prerequisites are being fulfilled as per ECI mandate. He further underscored on paramount importance of transparency and integrity in electoral process, reaffirming the commitment towards conducting free, fair and credible elections.

Virtually monitored by the General Observer for 4-Parliament Constituency, Dheeraj Kumar, and Police Observer Daljit Singh, the randomization exercise took place in video conference hall of DC office complex with all stakeholders in attendance. Meanwhile, randomization by draw of lots of polling staff for identified Model Polling stations designated as Pink, PwD, and Youth Polling Stations was also done by

Samba Admin organises mega SVEEP event at Badhori, Mahalshah Pyts



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SAMBA: A mega Systematic Voters' Education and Electoral Participation (SVEEP) event was organised by district administration Samba at panchayat Badhori in the forenoon & at panchayat Mahalshah of district Samba in the afternoon. A colourful and mesmerizing programme was orchestrated by District Election Officer, Abhishek Sharma. Nodal Officer SVEEP, Mohammad Sayeed, ACD Mehmoed Riaz, DPO, Ranjeet Singh, DIO Ashiq Rafiq Malik, BDO Aparajita

Aryan and other district and sectoral officers were present on the occasion. A mammoth gathering of enthusiastic locals, especially youth, women, PwDs, children and labourers were also present. The event aimed to raise awareness about electoral participation and educate voters. The event at picturesque location to engage the community in the electoral process was thoroughly appreciated by the participants. District Nodal officer SVEEP interacted with the participants encouraging

them to participate in the upcoming Lok Sabha Elections 2024 without fear and contribute their part in shaping the future of India as a vibrant Democratic Nation. Hundreds of locals, children and labourers working in the industrial area captured memorable moments and relished the cultural, informative and educative programme focusing on motivation of voters to participate in the Lok Sabha Elections 2024, scheduled to be held in the district Samba (05-Jammu Parliamentary Constituency) on April 26,2024. Another major highlight was a play staged by Natrang Theatre group on the theme 'Loktantra Ka Asli Mantra' leaving the audience spellbound. The play, in a satirical manner, conveyed the petty reasons given by people to not vote and also whom to vote.

ADDC Rajouri reviews working of Election monitoring teams in district

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RAJOURI: To foster coordination among stakeholders and streamline efforts for effective monitoring of Election expenditure by candidates contesting Lok S a b h a Elections 2024, the Additional District Development Commissioner (ADDC), Rajouri, Raj Kumar Thapa presided over an important meeting today.

The meeting was attended by the Assistant Expenditure Observers (AEOs), DIO DIPR, DTO, members of Video Surveillance Team (VST), Video Viewing Team (VVT), Static Surveillance Team (SST), Media Monitoring Team (MMT) and Accounting Team (AT). The ADDC underscored the significance of close coordination among the concerned teams in executing



uphold the integrity of the electoral process. The ADDC also exhorted the concerned stakeholders to discharge their responsibilities with unwavering dedication and a profound sense of duty. Recognizing the pivotal role of meticulous planning and flawless execution, he stressed on the need for heightened vigilance, transparency, and strict adherence to electoral guidelines. The meeting served as a platform for stakeholders to reiterate their commitment to ensuring fair and transparent elections.

Series of activities under SVEEP organised in Kathua, Jasrota ACs for voter engagement

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KATHUA: The vibrant communities of Keerian Gandiyal in Kathua Assembly Constituency (AC) and Uttri in Jasrota AC witnessed a surge in voter engagement under ongoing Systematic Voters' Education and Electoral Participation (SVEEP) campaign. A dynamic SVEEP activity unfolded at Keerian Gandiyal, under the supervision of Tehsildar Kathua drawing a significant turnout of enthusiastic residents.



The attendees were enlightened about their democratic rights and the pivotal role of every voter in shaping the governance landscape. Meanwhile, in the neighbouring village of Uttri in 66-Jasrota constituency, a series of multifarious activities were orchestrated to sensitize voters about their crucial role in

electoral process. The success of these SVEEP initiatives underscores the collective commitment of community towards fostering a culture of informed citizenship and active participation in the democratic process. Under the diligent guidance of ARO Kathua and ARO Jasrota, the recent SVEEP activities resonated with vigour and purpose. District Election Officer

Kathua, Dr. Rakesh Minhas underscored the importance of intensifying voter awareness campaigns, particularly targeting young voters, women and persons with disabilities (PwDs). Dr. Minhas emphasized the need for inclusivity and increased polling turnout in the upcoming Lok Sabha elections, reflecting a steadfast commitment to democratic participation and representation.

Police visits Martyr Ct Altaf Hussain's house, distributes gifts to NoKs

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REASI: Police on Tuesday visited the home of Martyr Ct Altaf Hussain, son of Mohd Sadiq, resident of Dhabotal, Hassote, Tehsil Chassana, District Reasi, who made the ultimate sacrifice on April 16, 2000 during an encounter at Surankote, Poonch. As a gesture of respect



Police personnel presenting gifts to family members of Martyr Ct Altaf Hussain.

and support, a team from PP Banna visited his home. During the visit, the team provided assistance to the family members and listened to their concerns and also thanked them for their supreme sacrifice towards the nation. During the interaction,

various genuine grievances were raised by the Martyr family and they were assured that their grievances would be taken up with concerned quarters at an appropriate level for timely redressal. Later, NOKs of Police Martyrs expressed their satisfaction

and hope to further strengthen the bond between them and J&K Police Department. The purpose of visit was to take stock of the welfare of the families of Police Martyrs who laid their precious lives in safeguarding the sovereignty and integrity of the nation. SSP Reasi Mohita Sharma assured the NOKs of Police Martyrs for every possible help and lauded the role played by their loved ones in sacrificing their lives for the sake of the nation. She further said that J&K police will always remain indebted for their services. Further, SSP Reasi emphasized the NOKs of Police Martyrs to consider the Police department as their own family and share their problems at any time.

Ankur calls for shifting Centre of Power from Kashmir to Jammu

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SAMBA: Ekam Sanatan Party's National President and MP Candidate for Jammu Lok Sabha, Advocate Ankur Sharma, along with his team members, conducted a series of public meetings at Gho Manhasan (Marh), Balore Market (Nud; Samba), Villages Janda, Mohargarh, Chilla Danga, Shah-Balore of Nud Block and Nud Market and appealed to vote in his favour from Jammu Lok Sabha by pressing the "Bansuri" button on EVM. Ankur Sharma vowed to challenge policies which have reduced Jammu into a colony of Kashmir and lamented the role of State of India in hosting Jammu province to the totalitarian hegemony of Kashmir. While addressing the public gatherings, he vowed to work for



Ekam Sanatan Party's National President and MP Candidate for Jammu Lok Sabha, Advocate Ankur Sharma during poll campaign at Samba.

having the centre of power shifted from separatist Kashmir to Nationalist Jammu. Speaking on the occasion, Ankur Sharma also discussed about the ways in which people can be given ownership of Custodian lands, Wakaf lands and long

possessed State lands. Ankur Sharma also spoke about regularisation of daily wagers, grant of 25 Lakhs as settlement amount in favour of PoJK Refugees, formally acknowledging Hindu Genocide under the UN convention and separation of Jammu from Kashmir as a

State and division of Kashmir into two UTs. Pertinent to mention that Advocate Ankur Sharma is contesting Lok Sabha Elections from Jammu Lok Sabha on Ekam Sanatan Bharat Dal's ticket and the party symbol is "Bansuri/Flute".

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